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Examiner: Shubo Zhou

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Title: APPARATUS, METHOD, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR DETERMINING GENE

FUNCTION AND FUNCTIONAL GROUPS USING CHROMOSOMAL DISTRIBUTION PATTERNS

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated December 9, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are included on page $\underline{2}$ of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 033975 (Ref. No. 016472-0311717).



Addendum

Invention Title:

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